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AND A KIT FOR SAME



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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 24, 2002, please consider the following remarks. Applicant considers this response to have been timely filed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.8 and § 1.10.

## **REMARKS**

Claims 1-10 are pending.

Applicant notes with appreciation the withdrawal of the following rejections: the rejection of Claims 1, 4, 5, 6, and 7 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) over Robbins (U.S. Patent 5,140,845); the rejection of Claim 2 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over Robbins and U.S. Patent 5,913,588 to Legros *et al.*; the rejection of Claim 3 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over Robbins and U.S. Patent 5,576,285 to France *et al.*; and the rejection of Claims 8-10 under 35 U.S.C. § 103 over Robbins in view of U.S. Patent 4,930,906 to Hemphill, in addition to the withdrawal of the objections to the specification.

Claims 1-7 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent 5,140,845 to Robbins.

